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Remarks

A. <u>Pending Claims</u>

Claims 2117-2124, 2126-2162, 2164-2192, and 5396-5402 are currently pending.

B. <u>Double Patenting</u>

Claims 2117-2124 and 2126-2155 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created

doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1687-1690 and

1694-1721 of copending Application No. 10/128,701. Applicant disagrees with the rejections,

but in the interest of expediency, a terminal disclaimer is being submitted as an accompanying

document.

C Additional Comments

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable

reconsideration is respectfully requested.

A Fee Authorization in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for the

terminal disclaimer. If an extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the

appropriate extension of time. If any additional fees are required or if any fees have been

overpaid, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert &

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